



Memorandum

**TO: RULES AND OPEN
GOVERNMENT**

FROM: Councilmember Johnny Khamis

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TRAVEL AND
EXCUSED ABSENCE**

DATE: July 31, 2014

APPROVE:

DATE: 07/31/2014

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) Authorize travel by Councilmember Khamis to Copenhagen, Denmark from August 22-29, 2014 as part of the Knight Foundation CPH Study Tour.
- (b) Authorize an excused absence for Councilmember Khamis from the City Council meeting on August 26, 2014 and the City Council Study Session on August 29, 2014 due to Authorized City Business: Research trip to Copenhagen, Denmark funded by the Knight Foundation.

Authorization for: Councilmember Johnny Khamis

Location: Copenhagen, Denmark

Travel Dates: August 22-23 and August 29, 2014

Meeting Dates: August 24, 2014-August 28, 2014

Source of Funds: The Knight Foundation

Purpose: The Councilmember will join the Knight Foundation, 8-80 Cities, City staff and delegates from five other cities in the United States on a research trip to Copenhagen, Denmark to learn about one of the world's most livable cities, and how it has become an example for other cities around the world. Copenhagen has become a world leader particularly in areas of livability, traffic, public transit, walkability, and increasing bicycle ridership. The Councilmember hopes to glean valuable knowledge in these areas in order to better equip The City of San Jose in meeting current and future population demands.